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PLAYBACK APPARATUS FOR A RECORDING MEDIUM

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on October 5, 2006, in which the three month shortened statutory period for responding thereto runs to January 5, 2007, reconsideration and allowance of the present application is respectfully requested in view of the following:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the list of claims that begin at page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin at page 14 of this paper.